



Hart County Board of Commissioners
Tuesday August 25, 2020
6:00 p.m.

1. PRAYER
2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
3. CALL TO ORDER
4. WELCOME
5. APPROVE AGENDA
6. APPROVE MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING(S)
 - 08/11/2020 Reg Meeting
7. REMARKS BY INVITED GUESTS, COMMITTEES, AUTHORITIES
8. REPORTS BY CONSTITUTIONAL OFFICERS & DEPARTMENT HEADS
 - Tax Assessors Quarterly Update, Wayne Patrick, Chief Appraiser
9. COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT
10. CHAIRMAN'S REPORT
11. COMMISSIONERS' REPORTS
12. OLD BUSINESS
 - a) Amendment to Article_VII_Uilities_Facility_ Installation (2nd Reading)
13. NEW BUSINESS
 - a) **Bowersville Speed limit discussion (Item was removed)**
 - b) Use of Courthouse Grounds for Annual Scarecrow Event
 - c) Hartwell Main Street Request to Place Picnic Tables on Courthouse Grounds
14. PUBLIC COMMENT
15. EXECUTIVE SESSION – Real Estate/Litigation
16. ADJOURNMENT

Hart County Board of Commissioners
August 25, 2020
6:00 p.m.

Hart County Board of Commissioners met August 25, 2020 at the Hart County Administrative & Emergency Services Center.

Chairman Joey Dorsey presided with Commissioners Frankie Teasley, Marshall Sayer and Ricky Carter in attendance. Commissioner R C Oglesby was absent.

1. Prayer

Prayer was offered by Commissioner Sayer.

2. Pledge of Allegiance

Everyone stood in observance of the Pledge of Allegiance.

3. Call to Order

Chairman Dorsey called the meeting to order.

4. Welcome

Chairman Dorsey welcomed those in attendance.

5. Approve Agenda

Commissioner Sayer moved to amend and approve the meeting agenda to remove item 13 a; include 13 d) ACCG Voting Delegate; Item 15 Real Estate/Litigation. Commissioner Teasley provided a second to the motion. The motion carried 4-0.

6. Approve Minutes of Previous Meeting(s)
- 08/11/2020 Reg Meeting

Commissioner Sayer moved to approve the minutes of August 11, 2020 regular meeting. Commissioner Teasley provided a second to the motion. The motion carried 4-0.

7. Remarks By Invited Guests, Committees, Authorities

None

8. Reports By Constitutional Officers & Department Heads
- Tax Assessor Quarterly Update, Wayne Patrick, Chief Appraiser

County Attorney Walter Gordon reported he did not find the action taken by Commissioner Carter in regards to disclosing information discussed in Executive Session was criminal in nature to contact the Attorney General's office. He prepared an ethics pledge for member of the board to sign and consideration for an amendment to the Code of Ordinances Article IV Code of Ethics.

Chairman Dorsey, Commissioner Teasley and Commissioner Sayer announced signing the ethics pledge. Commissioner Carter stated he wanted to read the pledge before he signs it.

Commissioner Teasley moved to approve the first reading of amendment to Code of Ordinances, Article IV Code of Ethics. Commissioner Sayer provided a second to the motion. The motion carried 4-0.

Chief Appraiser Wayne Patrick reported sales have met DOR ratio; there is an 8-10% increase in market; appraisers' office has processed 500 transactions; as of August 10 203 total appeals have been filed and the tax digests has been turned over to the Tax Commissioner.

9. County Administrator's Report

County Administrator Terrell Partain did not have any to report.

10. Chairman's Report

Chairman Dorsey offered condolences to the families of Pete Nagel, founding member of the Property Owners Association and Harold Dye, Economic Developer Dwayne Dye's father.

Chairman Dorsey moved to enact a policy pertaining to anyone ruled out of order during public comment, the individual loses the opportunity to speak unless a majority of vote by the BOC allows the individual to speak. Commissioner Sayer provided a second to the motion.

Bowersville resident David Cagle raised his hand and said he had comments. Chairman Dorsey called him out of order.

Commissioner Carter questioned what defines someone for being out of order. Chairman Dorsey responded anyone with personal attacks.

Chairman Dorsey called for the vote. The motion carried 3-1 (Commissioner Carter opposed).

11. Commissioners' Reports

Commissioner Teasley thanked Law Enforcement, Fire and EMS personnel for their daily efforts.

12. Old Business

- a) Amendment to Article_VII_Uilities_Facility_Installation (2nd Reading)

Commissioner Sayer moved to approve the second reading of the Amendment to Article VII. Commissioner Carter provided a second to the motion. The motion carried 4-0.

13. New Business

- a) Item was removed from the agenda
- b) Use of Courthouse Grounds for Annual Scarecrow Event

Commissioner Carter moved to grant the use of Courthouse Grounds for Annual Scarecrow Event. Commissioner Teasley provided a second to the motion. The motion carried 4-0.

- c) Hartwell Main Street Request to Place Picnic Tables on Courthouse Grounds

Commissioner Carter moved to approve the request to place three picnic tables on the courthouse grounds. Commissioner Sayer provided a second to the motion. The motion carried 4-0.

- d) ACCG Voting Delegate

Commissioner Teasley moved to appoint Commissioner Sayer to serve as the ACCG Voting Delegate on behalf of Hart County. Chairman Dorsey provided a second to the motion. The motion carried 4-0.

14. Public Comment

County Resident Allen Brown urged the Board to reconsider time for anyone to speak in public without of fear of being called out of order.

Chairman Dorsey responded a certain individual has a history of person attacks and challenged Mr. Brown to review the previous BOC video.

Bowersville resident David Cagle asked to speak.

Commissioner Marshall moved to allow David Cagle time to speak. Commissioner Carter provided a second to the motion. The motion carried 4-0.

David Cagle thanked U.S. Congressman Doug Collins; requested the BOC submit to random drug testing.

Bowersville resident George Nolan inquired about ethics pledge allowing for errors and omissions.

15. Executive Session – Real Estate/Litigation

Commissioner Sayer moved to exit into Executive Session to discuss real estate and litigation matters. Commissioner Teasley provided a second to the motion. The motion carried 3-0.

Commissioner Carter did not attend Executive Session.

Commissioner Teasley moved to exit Executive Session and reconvene the regular meeting session. Commissioner Sayer provided a second to the motion. The motion carried 4-0.

16. Adjournment

Commissioner Teasley moved to adjourn the meeting. Commissioner Carter provided a second to the motion. The motion carried 4-0.

Joey Dorsey, Chairman

Lawana Kahn, County Clerk